

Child Care and Development Fund
FACT SHEET
August, 2011
Montana

Caseload

- 6,099 children were served this month in this program
- 3,653 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 11.1% of the families entered the program during this period
- Yellowstone County accounted for 23.8% of all families served

Children

- 87.2% of children were served in licensed care
- 9.6% of children were cared for by relatives
- Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 125 hours per month
- School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 30.6% of all children served
- White children accounted for 79.2% of all children served

Families

- 74.1% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 3.7% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.8
- 88.2% of families were headed by a single parent
- 13.4% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$504 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 6.4% of the cost and the program paid 93.6%
- Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$491
- Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$462
- 72.0% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in Park County at \$689 per child
- Garfield County ranks first in relative care statewide with 80.0% of all children cared for by relatives.